THEREAS Girl Scouts throughout the United States of America have rendered continuous service to their communities and their country since the founding of their organization 53 years ago on March 12, 1912, by Juliette Gordon Low in Savannah, Georgia; and

WHEREAS the people of South Dakota are aware of the tremendous growth of the Girl Scout organization in this country to almost three and three-quarters of a million girl and adult members, thereby making it the largest organization for girls in the free world; and

MIEREAS all Girl Scouts make a solemn promise to do their duty to God and country, to help other people at all ctimes, and to obey the Girl Scout laws; and

WHEREAS Girl Scouts of the United States of America, through its continuous program for girls seven through 17, provides its members with a bridge to the future by developing ogood citizenship, teaching important skills, encouraging career exploration and increasing world understanding;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NILS A. BOE, Governor of the State Nof South Dakota hereby proclaim March 7 through 13 of this year 1965 as

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and March 12 as the 53rd Anniversary of the founding of Girl Scouting in the United States of America. I, therefore, call upon all citizens of South Dakota to give the Girl Scouts their continued interest, cooperation and support in the coming year, so that increasing numbers of girls may benefit from the Girl Scout Program. I do also proclaim that the theme of Girl Scout Week, "Girl Scouting-A Fronise in Action" shall be a reminder to all the citizens of our continuing promise of support to Girls Scouts in the U.S.A. in furthering its purpose of inspiring girls with the highest ideals of character. conduct, patriotism and service so that they may become happy and resourceful citizens.

> IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and raused the Great S al of the State of South Dakota to be affixed on this 24th day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-five.

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